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Secretary of State George Schultz
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Raoul Wallenberg is an extraordinary hero who saved thousands from Nazi terror during World War II. Tragically at the end of the war he disappeared into the Soviet Gulag. Both the United States and New York State have made Wallenberg an honorary citizen, but more than ceremonial action must be taken to rescue him, or as a minimum first step, obtain an accounting of his whereabouts.

I strongly urge you to add discussion of Raoul Wallenberg's whereabouts and status to the Human Rights agenda for the President's upcoming summit conference with the General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev. I was very gratified that the President has stated the great personal importance that human rights would have at the summit conference. No case is more worthy of inclusion in that discussion than that of Mr. Wallenberg.

Raoul Wallenberg's courage and humanitarianism are an inspiration to us all. We must not rest until he is saved, as he saved countless others.

I look forward to hearing from you on this important matter.

Sincerely,

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